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VIA FACSIMILE AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

The Honorable Pat Miller Director Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505 TN REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Re:

Application of Nashville Gas Company, a Division of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. for an Adjustment of its Rates and Charges, the Approval of Revised Tariffs and the Approval of Revised Service Regulations Docket No. 03-00313.

Dear Director Miller:

I am writing on behalf of Nashville Gas Company ("Nashville Gas"), applicant in the above-captioned docket, to request a two-day extension of the time in which Nashville Gas may respond to the most recent set of data requests served on Nashville Gas by the TRA Staff. These requests were delivered to Nashville Gas on Thursday, August 21, 2003 with a requested response date of Tuesday, August 26, 2003.

Nashville Gas is currently heavily engaged in the preparation of rebuttal testimony in both this docket and in a general rate case proceeding now pending before the North Carolina Utilities Commission. As a result of this fact, and the fact that the TRA staff data request only allowed for two working days to provide responses, Nashville Gas is in need of a slight delay in the time in which it is permitted to submit its responses to these data requests to and including Thursday, August 28, 2003 (the same date responses to the Second Round of Discovery are due under the procedural orders in this docket).

The undersigned counsel attempted to contact counsel for the TRA on Friday, August 22, 2003 by telephone to discuss this request but was unable to reach such counsel. Under the totality of the circumstances, Nashville Gas respectfully submits that the two-day extension of time requested herein is reasonable and should not prejudice the TRA Staff's ability to prepare for the hearing of this matter.

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If there are any questions about this request, I may be reached at the number shown above. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

JHJ/srl

Mr. Timothy Phillips (via fax) c: Mr. George H. Godwin, Jr. (via fax)

Mr. R. Dale Grimes (via fax)